



## Alki Substation Development Project Meeting Notes January 27, 2004

The following are notes of questions raised at the second workshop to design improvements to the Alki Substation site.

### Agenda

The design team will review the results of the first design workshop and present the proposed schematic designs. This design incorporates ideas and suggestions from the Admiral Advisory Council and other citizen groups for development of the projects open space.

- 7:10 p.m.      Introductions  
                    Objectives for Tonight  
                            - *David Goldberg, Project Planner*
- 7:15 p.m.      Project Overview, Scope, Schedule & Budget  
                            - *David Goldberg, Project Planner*
- 7:25 p.m.      Proposed Schematic Design  
                            - *Kim Baldwin, Project Landscape Architect*
- 8:00 p.m.      Discussion & Questions
- 8:45 p.m.      Recap & Next Steps  
                            - *David Goldberg, Project Planner*
- 9:00 p.m.      Adjourn

### Notes

Comment	Response
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>I'm excited by the design. It incorporates the ideas from the last meeting.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Noted</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The phasing approach is good.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Noted</li></ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Would crushed rock paths remain in phase 2?</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Yes, the crushed rock allows infiltration, however it could</li></ul>

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	be altered to incorporate the labyrinth element.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Good job capturing views from front of park.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Noted</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Would prefer stairs to Pritchard installed as phase 1.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Noted, There is insufficient budget due to steep slopes requiring engineering and more substantive construction techniques.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Proposed design incorporated ideas from last workshop.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Noted</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Can you use eco-turf.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Eco-turf isn't native, but could be considered.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Like the design direction. Good job expanding on the labyrinth idea.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Noted</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ You listened to past comments.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Noted</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Can you provide tall trees for canopy and bird habitat?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Will consider</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Do you have cost estimates?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Yes, they are preliminary.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Water feature needs to be integrated into vegetation in order to be effective.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Noted, will consider.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Did you consider a water fountain?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ No, Parks has difficulty maintaining fountains in small parks like this one. Additionally, they are expensive.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Need to incorporate elements or structure design to discourage bmx'ers.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Noted</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Would there be a problem of West Nile virus from bird bath.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Noted</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Good design, but stairs should in phase 1.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ See comment above.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Don't put in any grass at all.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Maintenance crews has expressed that some grass is likely unless there are volunteers who would assist with establishing and</li> </ul>

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	maintaining other ground covers.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stairs are nice but it's an unstable slope. They should be done later. Want park in phase 1.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noted</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concerned that seating will attract transients.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will consider elements discouraging sleeping.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Add light – contact metro. Street light goes out all the time.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Don't have electricity planned for site. Could contact Metro for light at bus stop.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>People above park are seniors and won't use the stairs.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noted</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Neighborhood plan asked for passive open space. This should be provided in phase 1.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noted, this is reflected in the Levy that funded the project.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Spending money on park in first phase is better.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noted</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support delaying stairs, but would like to see stair built if there's money.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noted</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Like plan to date but would like more tree canopy.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will consider</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There are non-native plants that are appropriate and provide habitat and food.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noted</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lawn will invite starlings. Low ground cover would be better.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noted. Will talk with existing organizations to determine if there is sufficient interest in establishing and maintaining native ground covers.</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lawn will attract dogs.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noted</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explore a mister connected to battery powered controller for water.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will consider</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bird houses need to be 10 – 15', spread out and close to trees. Curtis Black is a neighbor and bat expert.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noted</li> </ul>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What portions of blackberries on</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Won't remove vegetation of</li> </ul>

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the hill will be removed?	portions that are private property or street.
▪ Bird houses are great.	▪ Noted
▪ Put rock in front of site to keep cars out.	▪ Will consider
▪ Can you use recycled plastic benches?	▪ Will consider
▪ Lawn would add maintenance.	▪ Noted. Maintenance crews have found lawn easier to maintain as a park, particularly during establishment.
▪ Need to locate bird houses better.	▪ Noted
▪ Like the sitting wall. Maybe incorporate tiles or other art work. Pursue granite curbs.	▪ Noted
▪ SDOT needs to address some trees that are being strangled by ivy and falling down.	▪ Noted, will discuss with SDOT
▪ Put a small concave sitting wall just behind sidewalk. This could incorporate art and would leave rest of park for habitat.	▪ Not significant support for this element compared to overall support on existing design.
▪ Wall at front would be a barrier.	▪ Noted
▪ Will there be trash can	▪ Yes